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March 27, the government produced all non-native files to defense counsel for both defendants along with a placeholder for the two seized devices, which were too large to be transmitted digitally. In early April, defense counsel gave the government hard drives, which the government returned loaded with the discovery. 3. Mr. Allison is currently incarcerated in Colusa County Jail, approximately 65 miles from Sacramento. The discovery materials are produced pursuant to a protective order, which makes

counsel's review of the discovery with their client more time consuming.

- 4. Defense counsel have expended over 300 hours to date working on the case but will need significant more time to complete review of discovery, conduct investigation, evaluate and prepare pretrial motions, and consult with Mr. Allison at the Colusa County Jail. Defense counsel believe that failure to grant the above-requested continuance would deny them the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account due diligence.
- 5. The high volume of discovery, coupled with the nature and scope of the charges in the indictment and other circumstances of the case, make the case so unusual and complex that it is unreasonable to expect adequate preparation for pretrial proceedings or for the trial itself to be completed within the time limits established by the Speedy Trial Act.
- 6. Based on the above-stated findings, the ends of justice served by continuing the case as requested outweigh the interest of the public and the defendants in a trial within the original date prescribed by the Speedy Trial Act. For the purposes of computing time under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, et. seq., within which trial must commence, the time period of August 8, 2025 to October 31, 2025, inclusive, is deemed excludable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), (B)(ii) and (iv) [local codes T2 and T4] because it results from a continuance granted by the Court at the parties' request on the basis of the Court's finding that the ends of justice served by taking such action outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

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1	7. Nothing in this stipulation and order shall preclude a finding that other provisions of the		
2	Speedy Trial Act warrant time periods excludable from the period within which a trial must commence.		
3	IT IS SO STIPULATED.		
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5	Dated: July 25, 2025		
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ORDER

The Court, having received, read and considered the parties' stipulation and good cause appearing therefrom, ADOPTS the parties' stipulation. Accordingly, the State Conference as to Defendant Matthew Robert Allison scheduled for August 8, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. is HEREBY VACATED and RESET for October 31, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in Courtroom 8 before the Honorable Dena M. Coggins. The time period between August 8, 2025 and October 31, 2025 inclusive, is excluded under the Speedy Trial Act pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), B(ii), and (iv) [Local Codes T2 and T4], as the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **July 29, 2025**

Dena Coggins

United States District Judge